WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 7929

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served April 8, 2004

Application of ABDULLAH ABDEL GADER)

M. TALIB, Trading as HANDSHAKE,

for a Certificate of Authority --)

Irregular Route Operations

Case No. AP-2004-62

By application accepted for filing March 16, 2004, Abdullah Abdel Gader M. Talib, a sole proprietor trading as Handshake, seeks a certificate of authority for irregular route operations in vehicles with a seating capacity of less than 16 persons only, including the driver.

Applicant was granted operating authority last year, but the issuance of a certificate of authority was expressly made contingent on applicant filing additional documents. Applicant failed to file the necessary documents in a timely manner, thereby voiding the Commission's approval. 2

Applicant proposes commencing operations with one van. Applicant's proposed tariff contains rates for transportation under the DC Medicaid program.

This proceeding is hereby initiated to determine whether applicant is fit and whether the proposed transportation is consistent with the public interest.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. That applicant shall publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, no later, than April 22, 2004, notice in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission.
- 2. That applicant shall file with the Commission, no later than May 6, 2004, an original and four copies of an affidavit that notice has been published as required in the preceding paragraph.

No. 7325 (July 21, 2003) (conditionally granting Certificate No. 823).

² <u>See id</u>. (grant of authority void upon applicant's failure to timely satisfy conditions of issuance); Commission Regulation No. 66 (failure to comply with conditions of grant within 180 days voids approval).

3. That the deadline for filing protests, comments, applications for intervention, and requests for formal hearing, is May 6, 2004, and that copies must be served on applicant at 2218 Huntington Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22303-1528.

FOR THE COMMISSION:

William H. McGilver

Executive Director